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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- (previously presented): A moving image watermarking method using a human visual system, comprising the steps of:
- a) obtaining a watermark value by exclusive-ORing a random key value and a binary value of a logo image;
  - b) separately performing a plurality of masking operations;
- c) obtaining a global masking value through the separately performed masking operations;
- d) obtaining a watermarked frame value by adding the watermark value weighted by the global masking value and a control variable, to an original frame value; and
- e) inserting a watermark into a moving image frame using the watermarked frame value.
- (original): The watermarking method according to claim 1, wherein the step b) comprises the steps of:
  - b1) performing a spatial masking operation; and
  - b2) performing a motion masking operation.

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3. (original): The watermarking method according to claim 2, wherein the step bl) comprises the steps of:

adjusting contrast of the moving image frame; and extracting edges from the contrast-adjusted frame.

4. (original): The watermarking method according to claim 2, wherein the step b2) comprises the steps of:

obtaining a luminance difference between a current frame and a previous frame; and extracting edges from the current frame.

- (original): The watermarking method according to claim 2, wherein the step b) further comprises the step of performing a frequency masking operation.
- (previously presented): The watermarking method according to claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

comparing an image quality of the watermarked frame with an image quality set to a target; and

decreasing the control variable by a predetermined value if the image quality of the frame is less than the target image quality, and increasing the control variable by a predetermined value if the image quality of the frame is greater than the target image quality.

 (original): The watermarking method according to claim 6, wherein the image quality is estimated on the basis of Peak-Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR).

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8. (previously presented): The watermarking method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of f) extracting the watermark, the step f) comprising the steps of: subtracting a watermarked frame value from the original frame value; and exclusive-ORing the subtracted result value and a random variable obtained by a key

9. (currently amended): A spatial masking method for use in watermarking a moving picture, comprising the steps of:

adjusting contrast of a moving image frame;

value, and obtaining the exclusive-ORed result.

extracting edges from the contrast-adjusted frame; and

inserting a watermark in portions of the contrast-adjusted frame from which the edges

## were extracted; and

storing the extracted edges in a recording medium.

10. (currently amended): A motion masking method for use in watermarking a moving picture, comprising the steps of:

obtaining a luminance difference between a current frame and a previous frame;

extracting edges from the current frame; and

inserting a watermark in portions of the current frame from which the edges were

## extracted; and

storing the extracted edges in a recording medium.

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11. (original): A recording medium for storing computer programs for executing the

method of claim 1 in a format readable by computers.

12.-13. (canceled).

14. (previously presented): The watermarking method according to claim 1, wherein

the step b) comprises the steps of:

performing a motion masking operation.

15. (previously presented): The watermarking method according to claim 1, wherein the

step b), the plurality of the masking operations are separately performed on identical moving

image data.

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